TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 1007 - SB 1171

March 25, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the duty of a driver to exercise due care by requiring a driver to avoid colliding with a person legally upon the roadway or beside the roadway right-of-way including any adjacent sidewalk, bicycle lane, shoulder, or berm. Broadens the traffic offense of failure to yield right-of-way adding failure to yield the right of way to pedestrians; failure to exercise due care; and failure to overtake and pass a bicycle safely.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Safety, there will be no impact on the operations of the Tennessee Highway Patrol.
- Adding offenses that constitute failure to yield the right of way will not have a significant impact on fine revenue.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for local governments to experience any significant increase in revenues or expenses.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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